



Howard County

2018-2019 Maryland Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) Sexual Behavior and Sexual Identity Responses

MDH Center for STI Prevention

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Maryland Youth Risk Behavior Survey/Youth Tobacco Survey

The Maryland YRBS/YTS is an on-site survey, conducted every other year, of Maryland public middle and high schools. It tracks behaviors that contribute to the leading causes of death and disability, including but not limited to, alcohol and other drug use, tobacco use, unintentional injuries and violence, and poor physical activity and dietary behaviors. The Maryland YRBS also asks about contraceptive use, sexual behaviors and sexual identity. The 2018-2019 survey was administered to over 41,000 students.

For more information about the survey, visit:

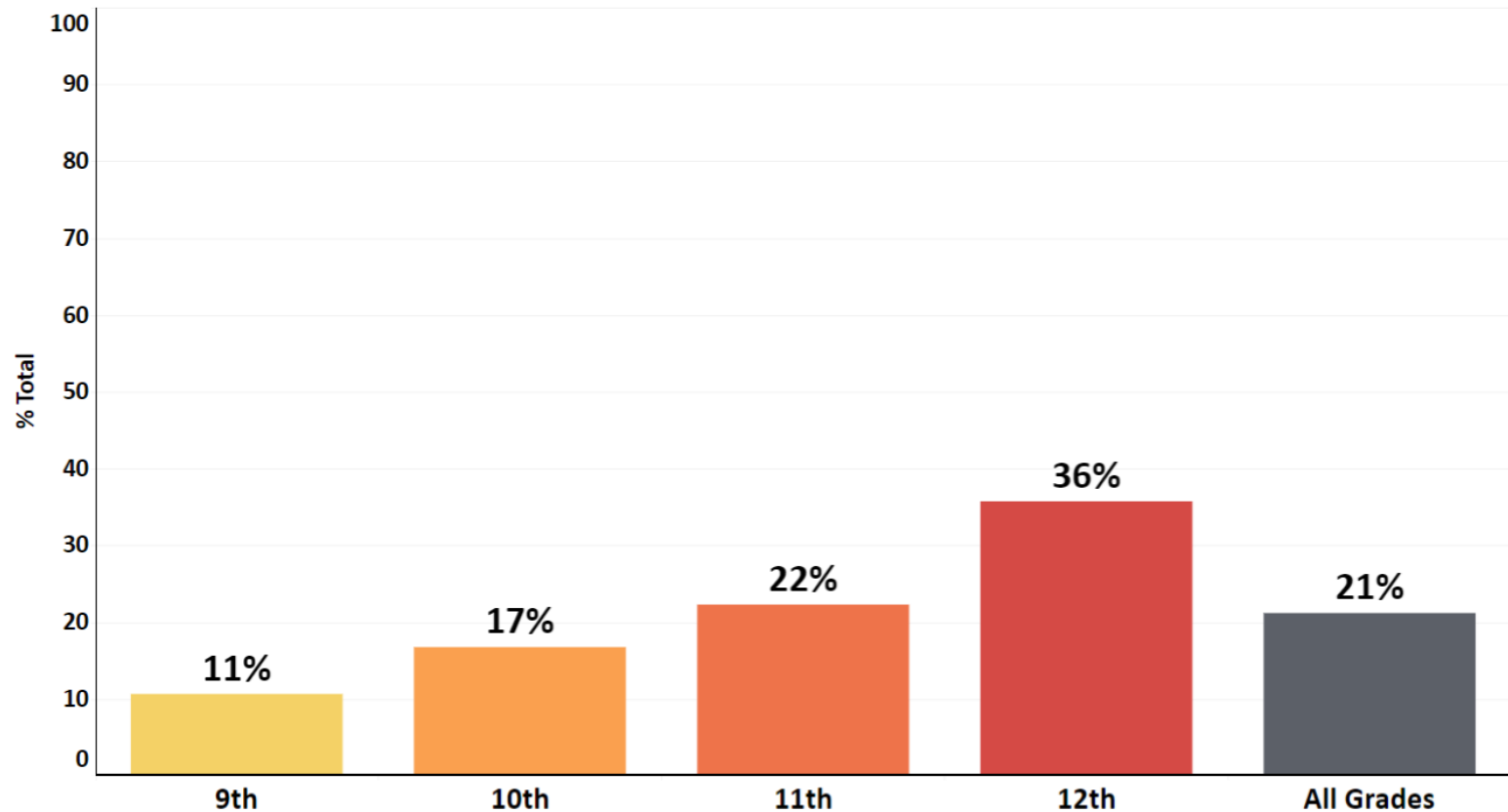
<https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/ohpetup/Pages/YTRBS.aspx> and
<https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/ccdpc/Reports/Pages/YRBS-Main.aspx>

For the 2018-2019 state and county grade-level YRBS data, visit:

<https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/ccdpc/Reports/Pages/YRBS2018.aspx>

Sexual Activity

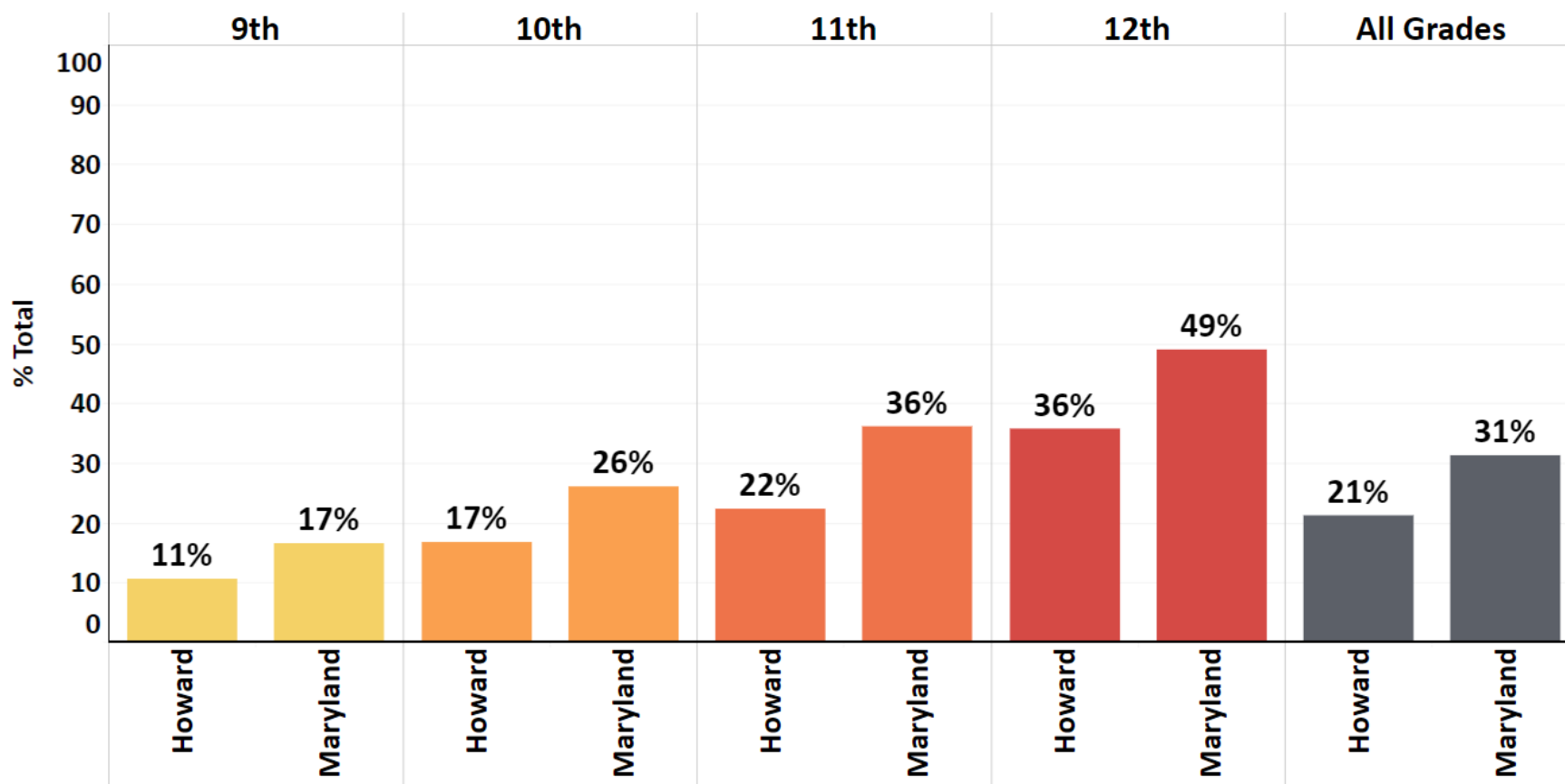
Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse



N = 1,426

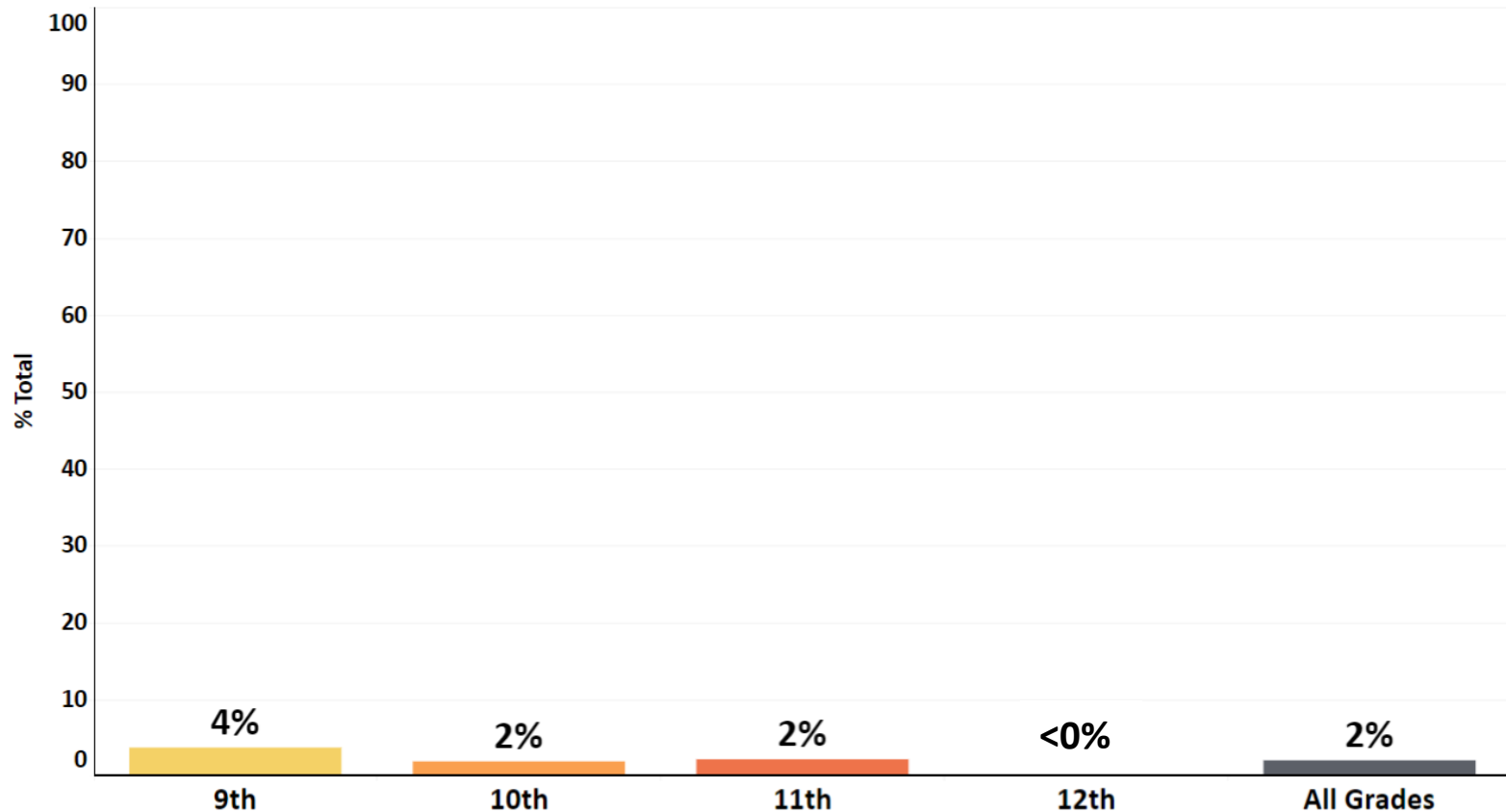
Sexual Activity, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse



Sexual Intercourse Before Age 13

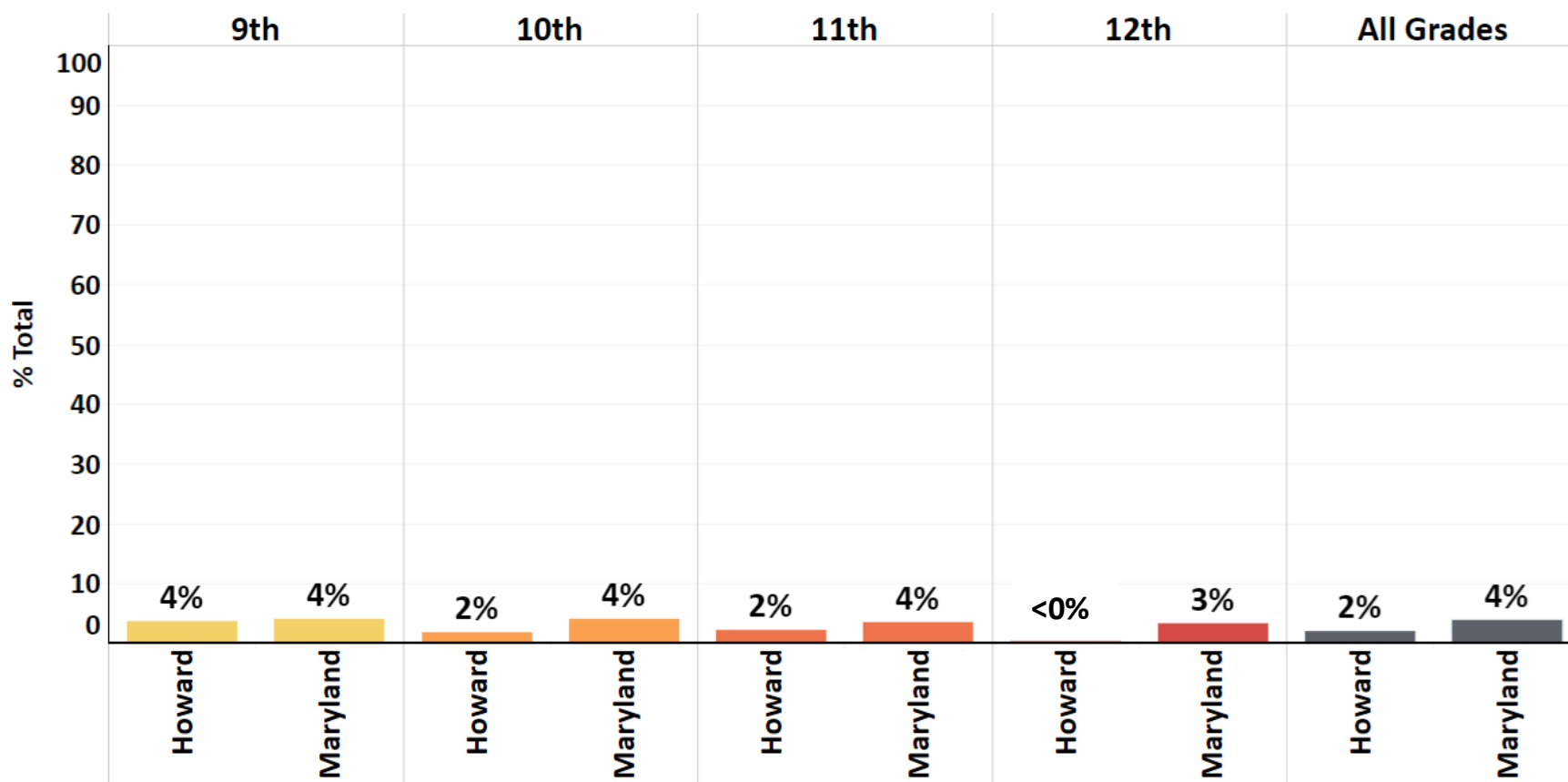
Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years



N = 1,425

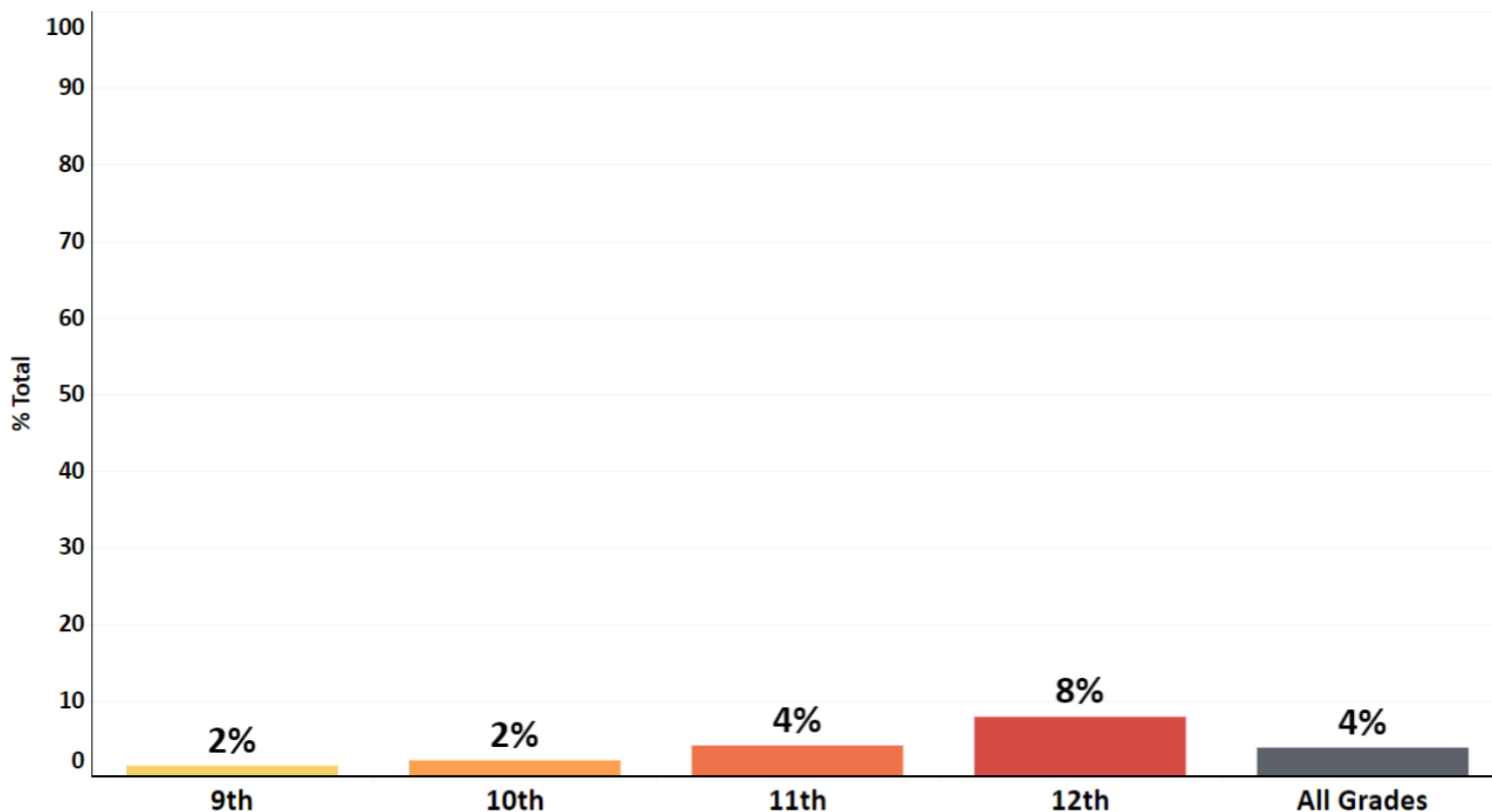
Sexual Intercourse Before Age 13, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse for the first time before age 13 years



Four or More Sexual Partners

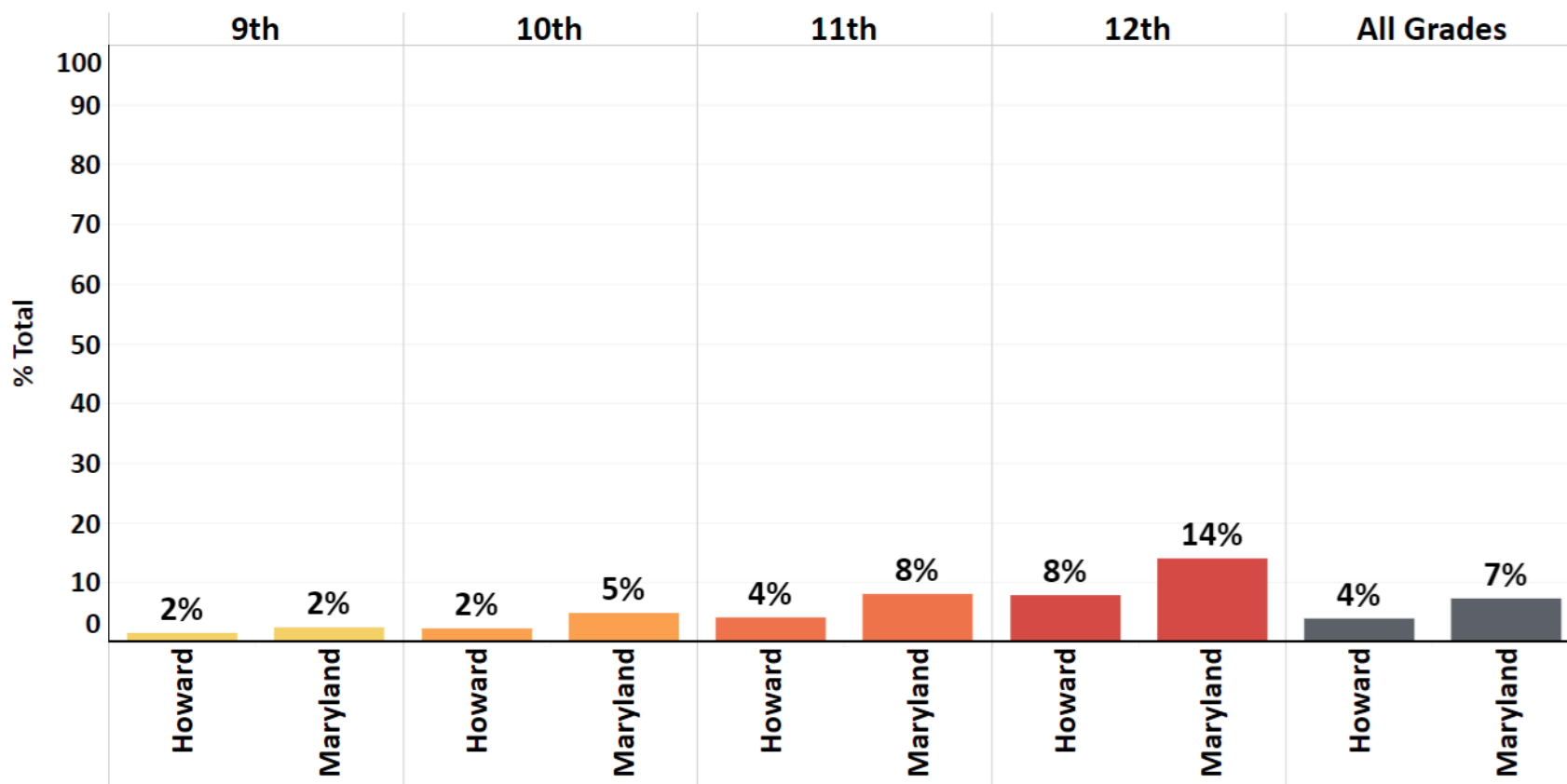
Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more persons during their life



N = 1,421

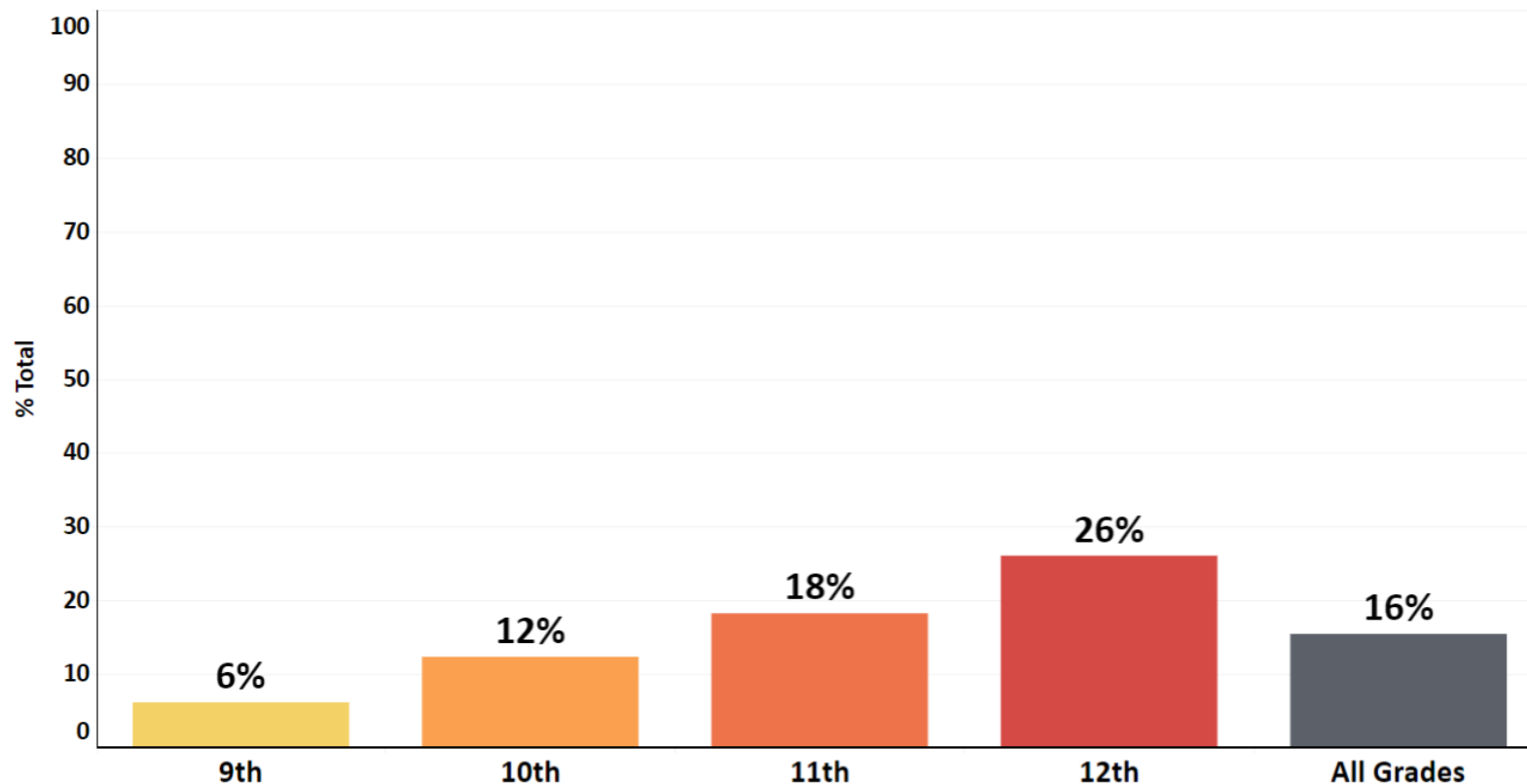
Four or More Sexual Partners, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who had sexual intercourse with four or more persons during their life



Currently Sexually Active

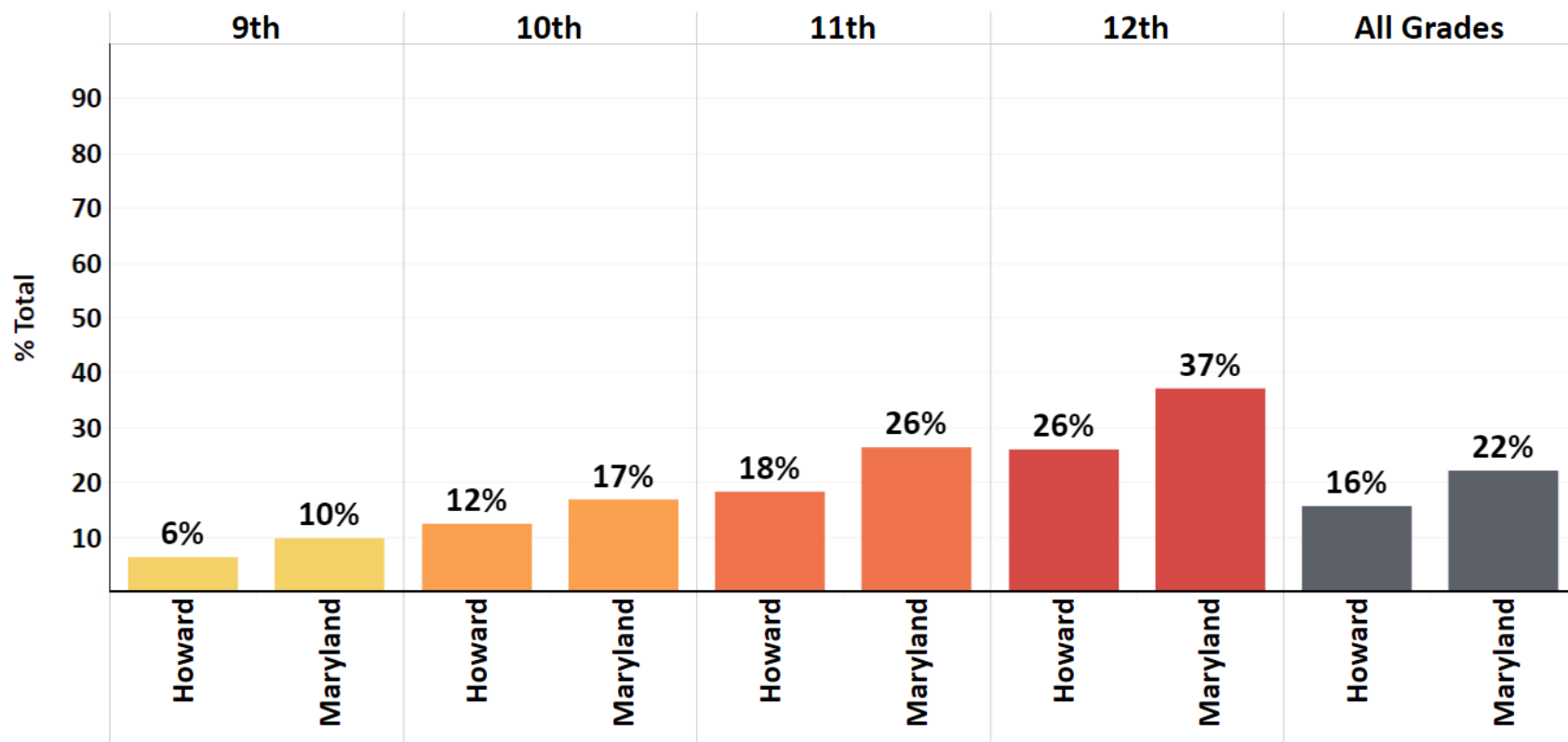
Percentage of students who were currently sexually active (had sexual intercourse with at least one person, during the 3 months before the survey)



N = 1,423

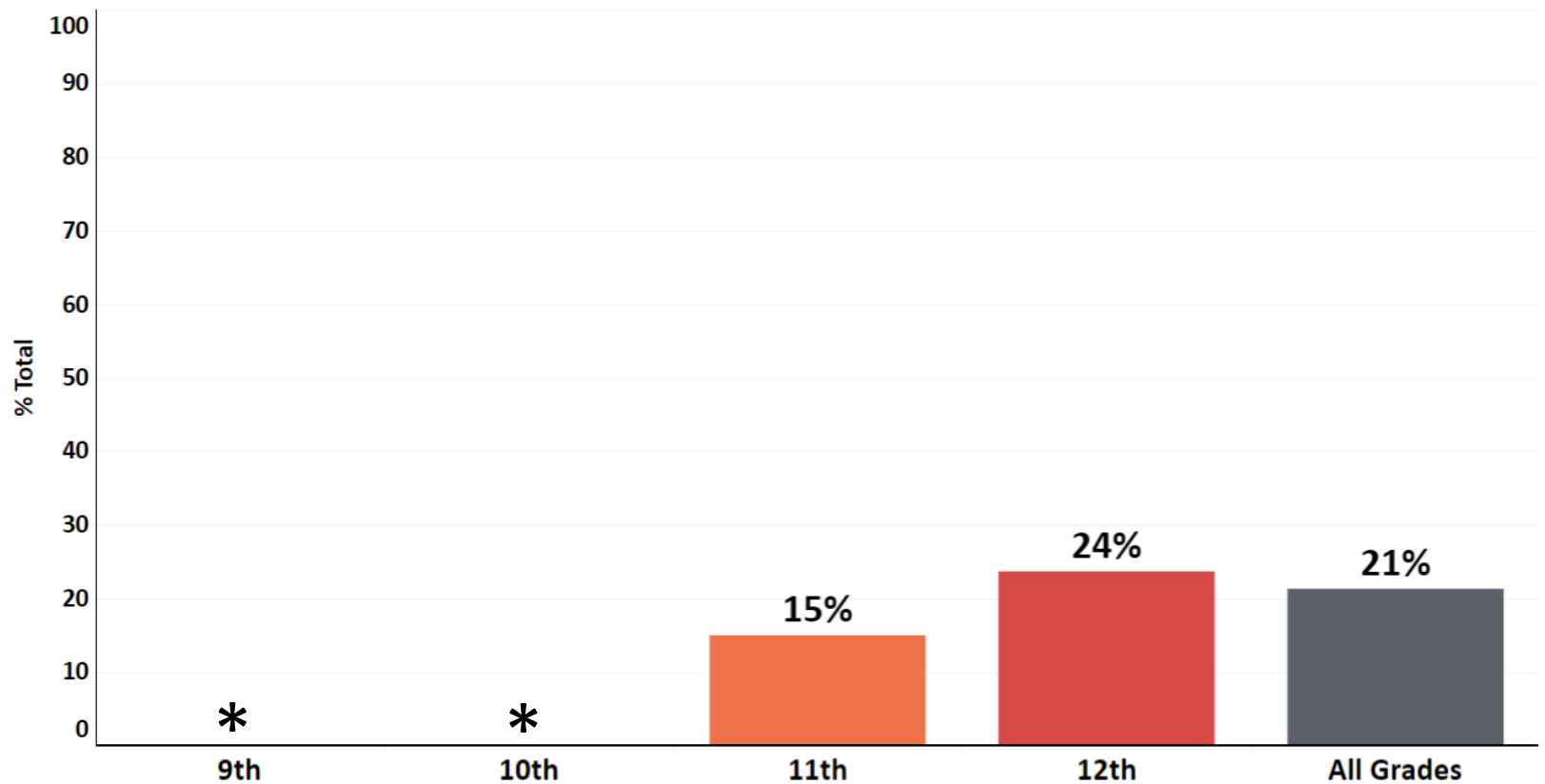
Currently Sexually Active, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who were currently sexually active (had sexual intercourse with at least one person, during the 3 months before the survey)



Alcohol and Drug Use

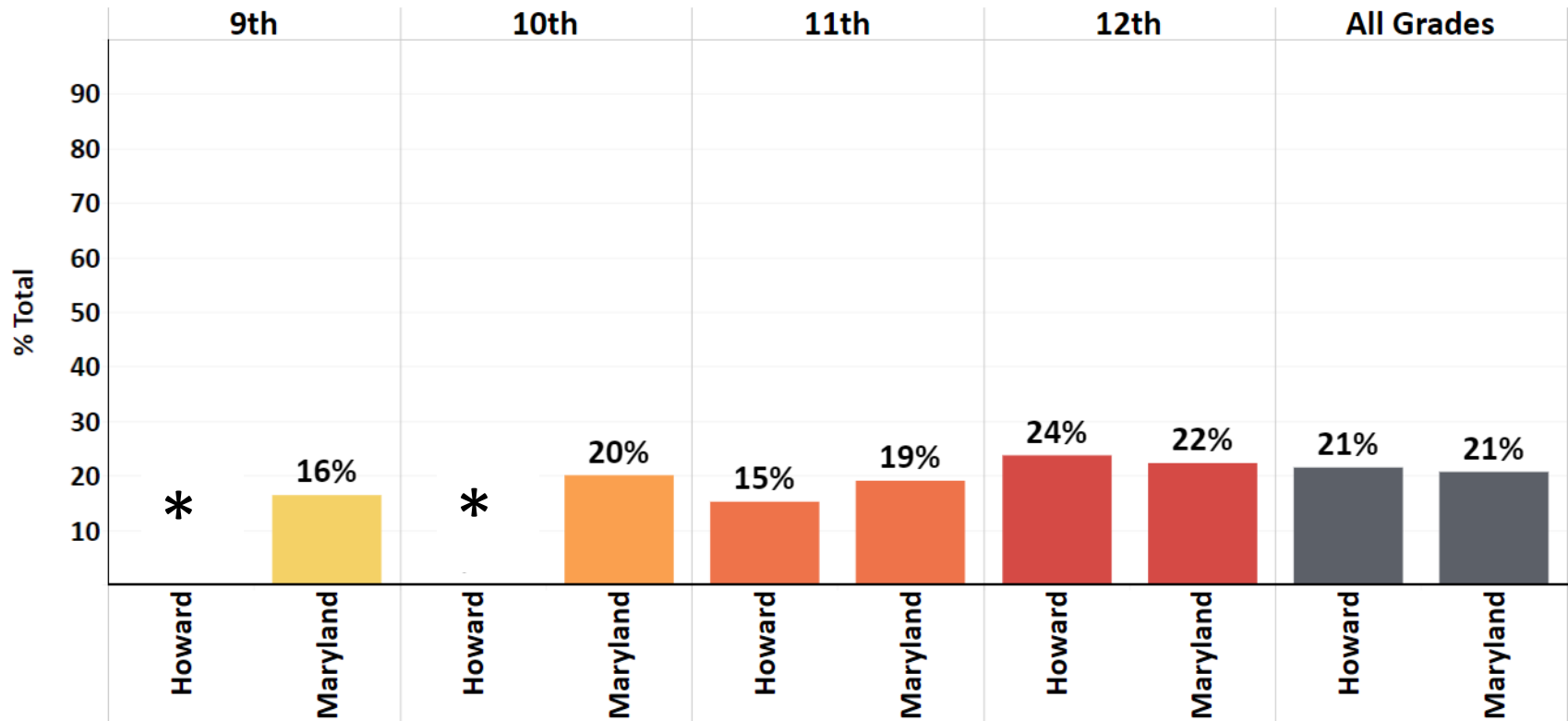
Percentage of students who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)



N = 234

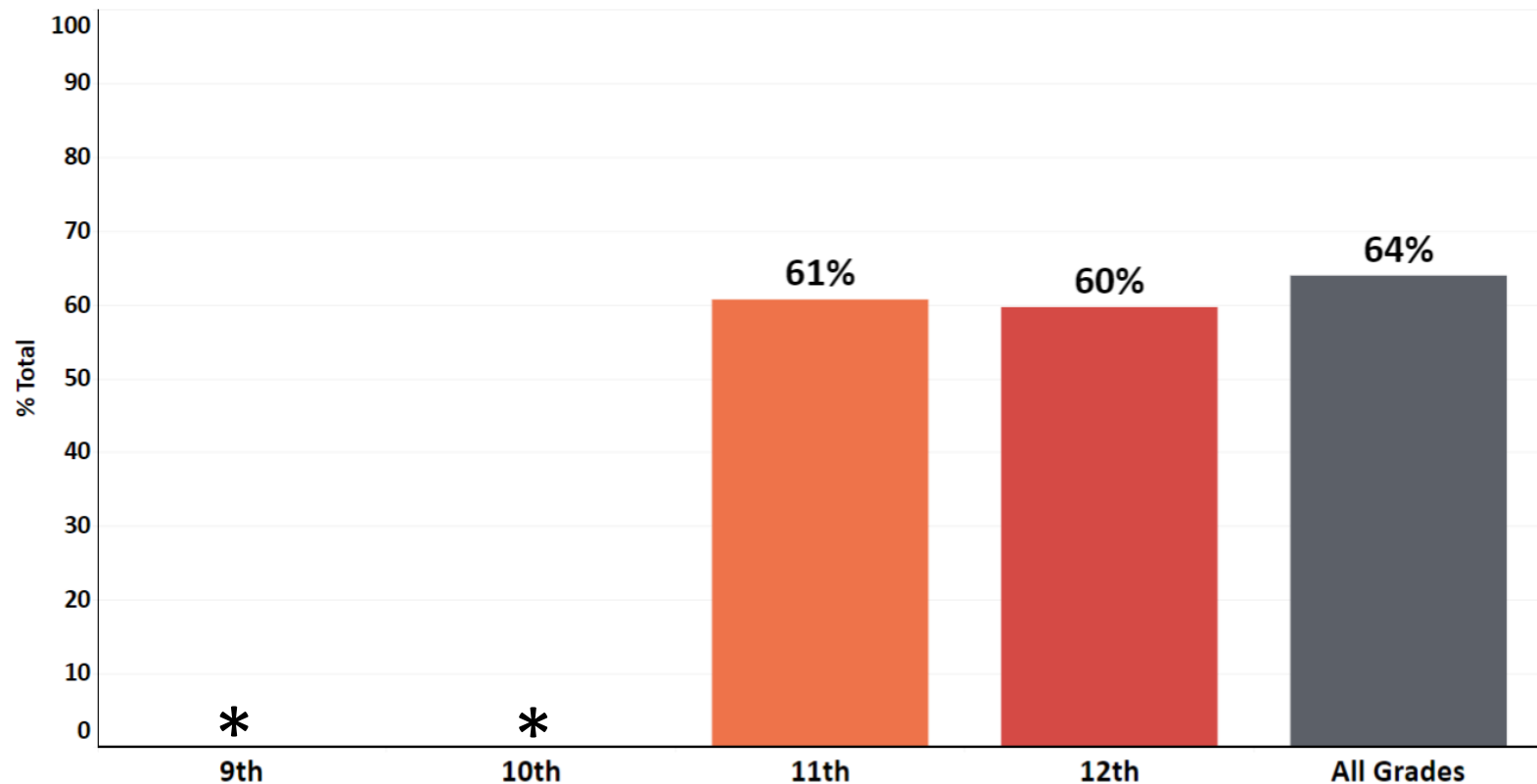
Alcohol and Drug Use, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who drank alcohol or used drugs before last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)



Condom Use

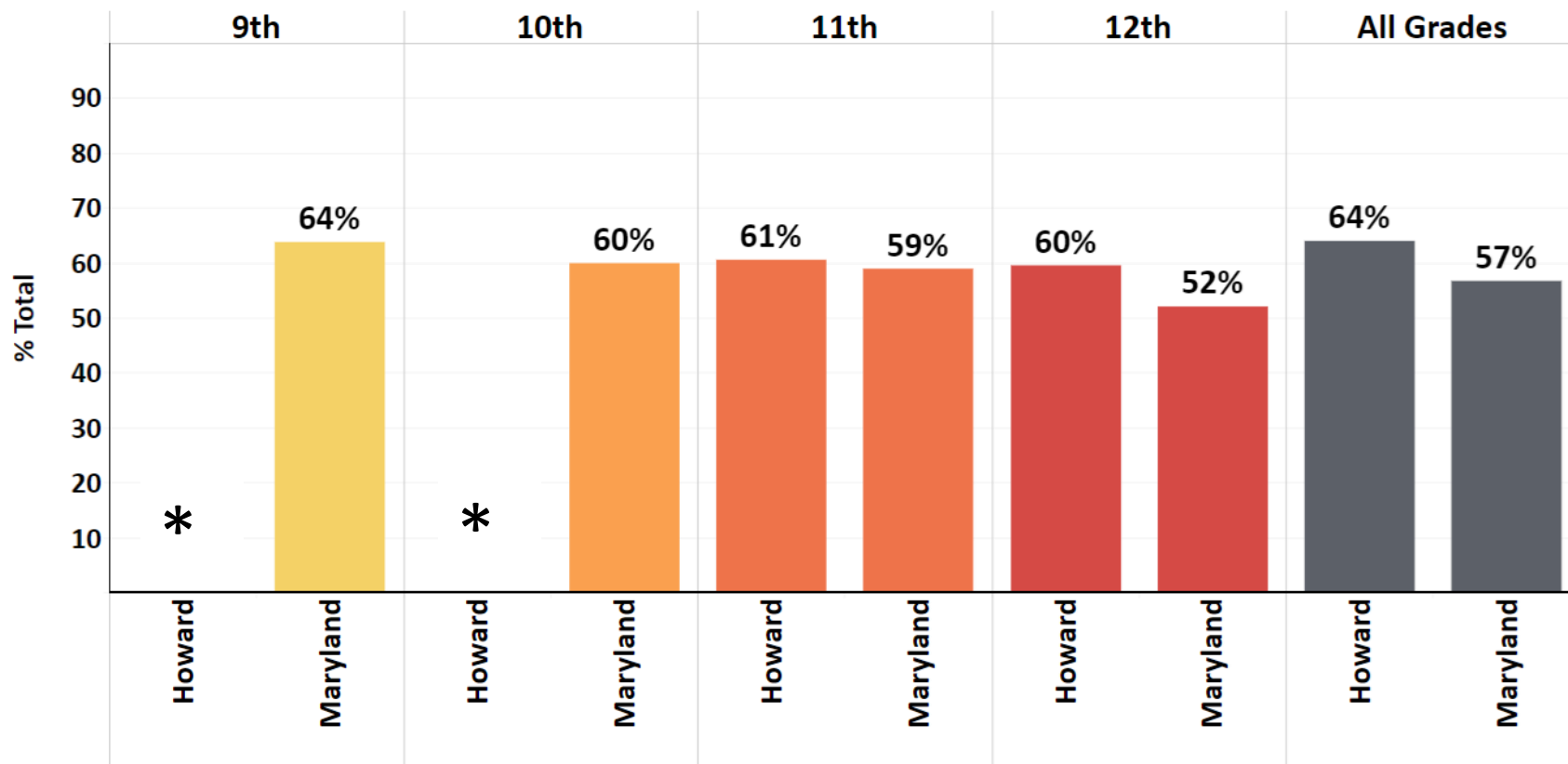
Percentage of students who used a condom during last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)



N = 231

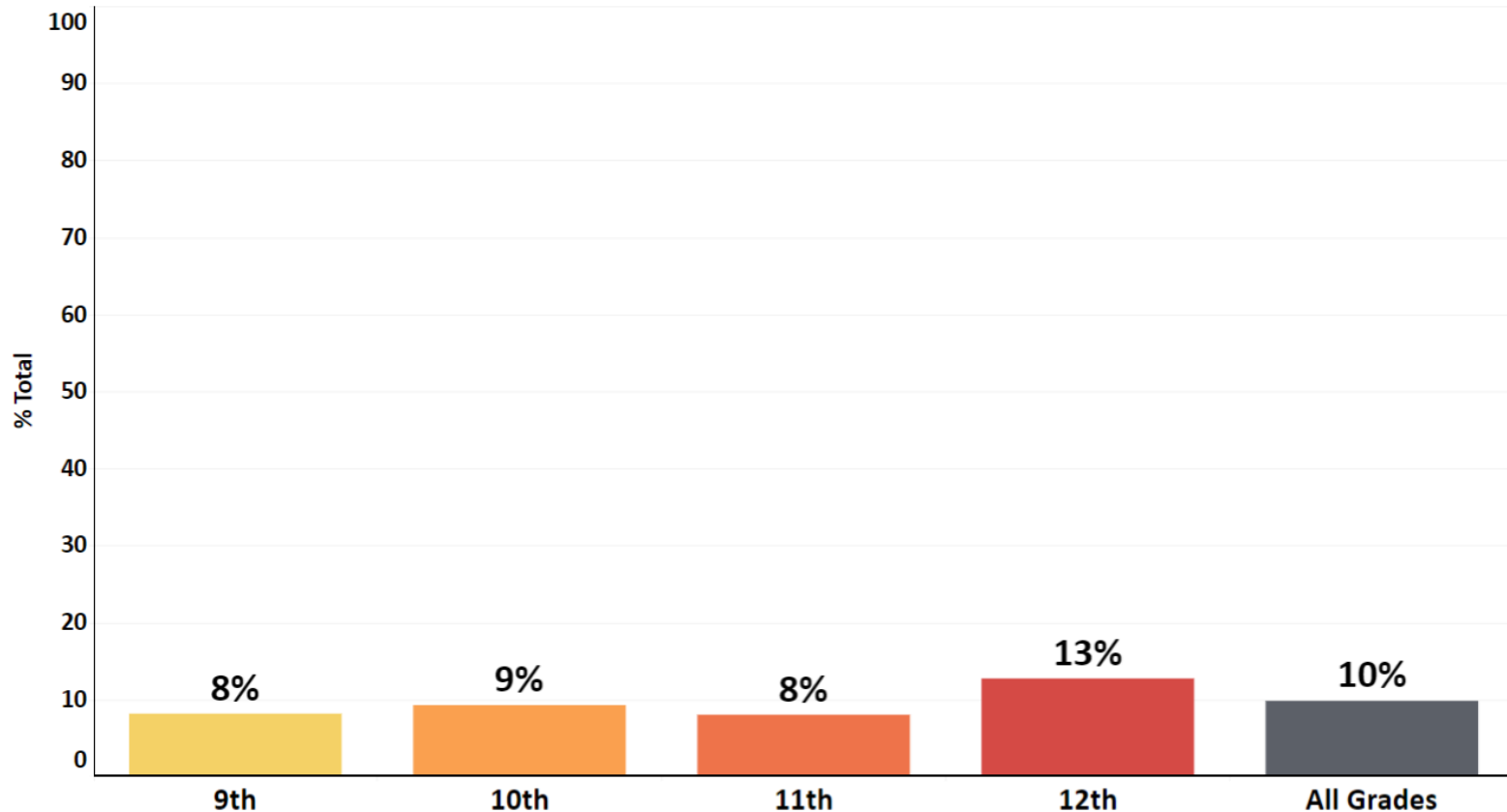
Condom Use, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who used a condom during last sexual intercourse (among students who were currently sexually active)



HIV Testing

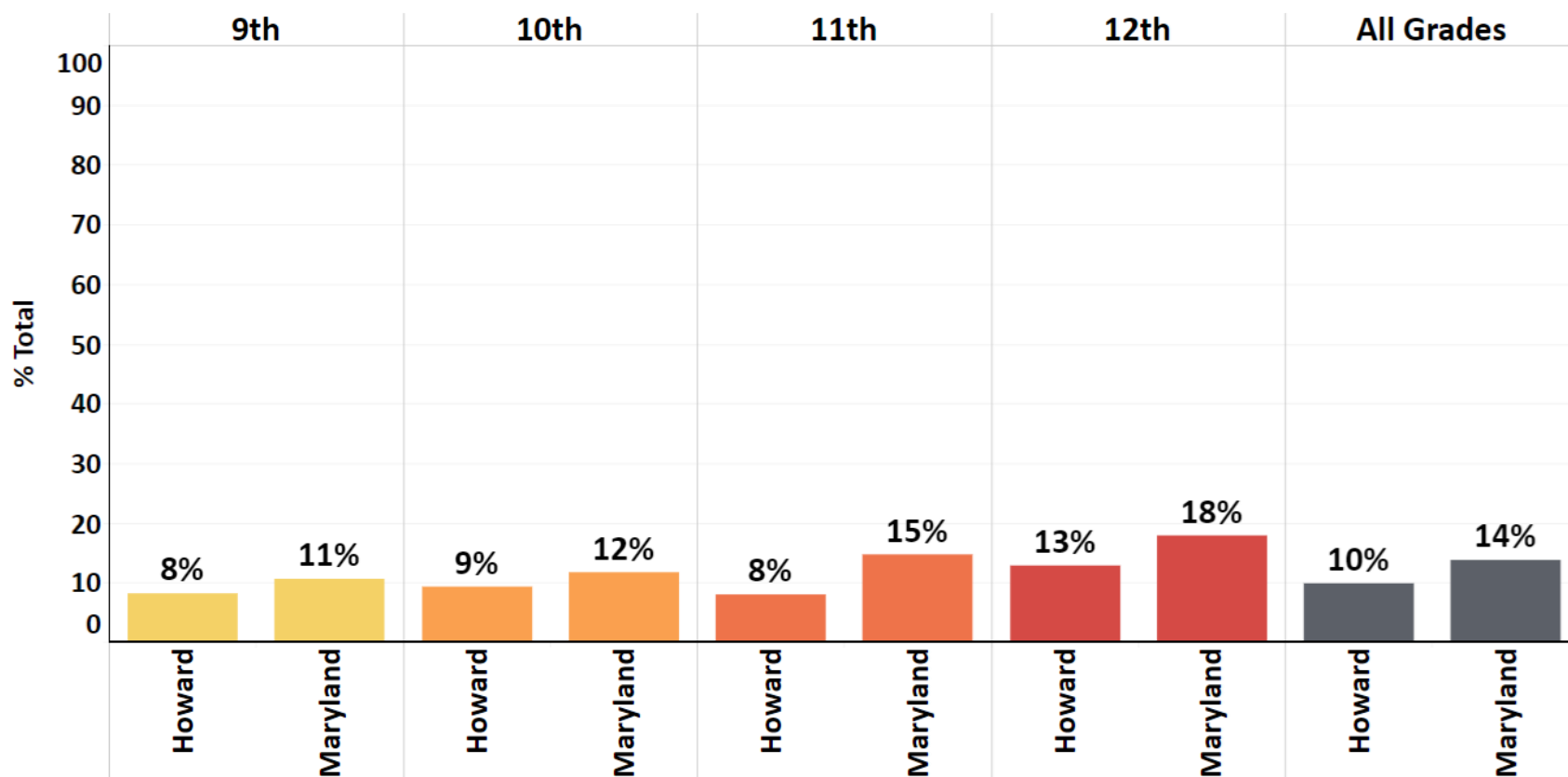
Percentage of students who were ever tested for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)



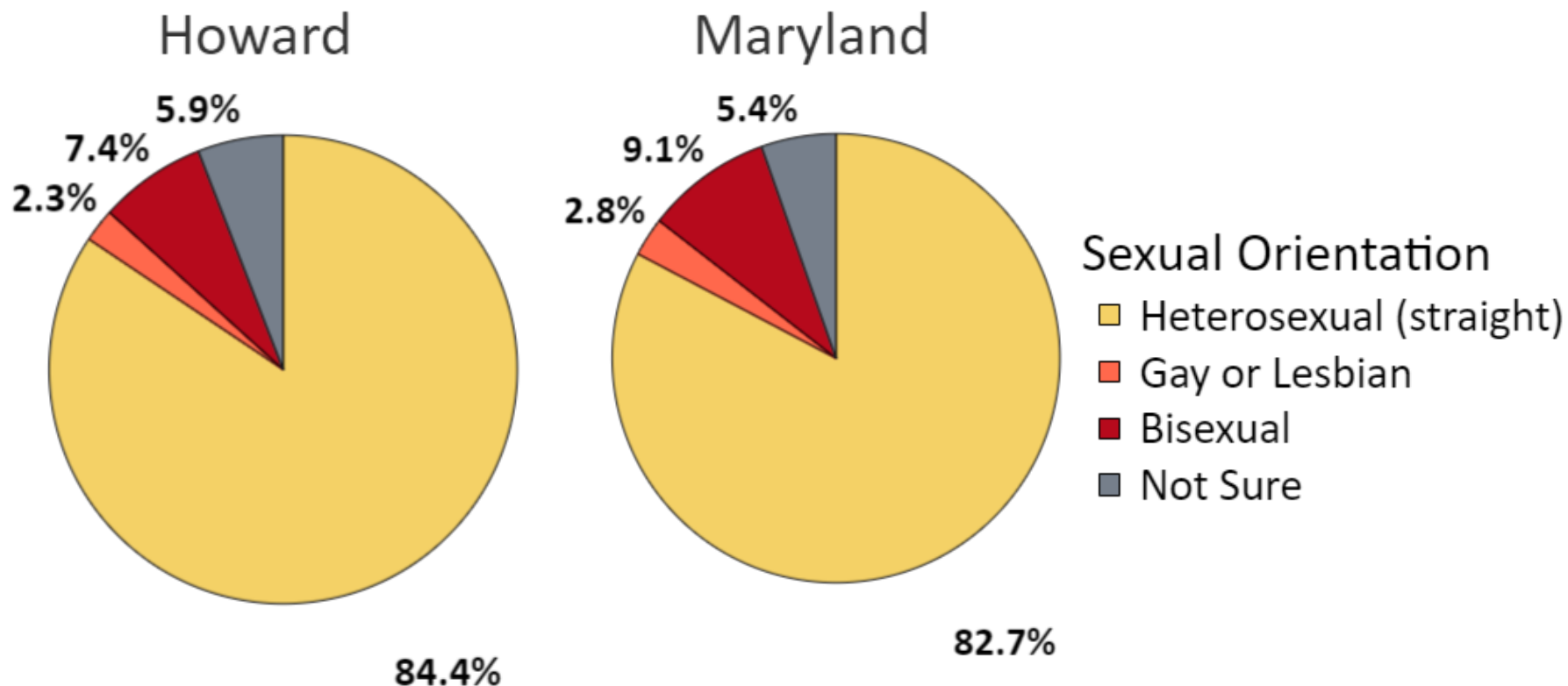
N = 1,569

HIV Testing, County Compared with the State

Percentage of students who were ever tested for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)



Sexual Orientation, County Compared with the State



N = 1,649

N = 40,549